

Amendments to the claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

Listing of New Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for use in a wellbore, the apparatus comprising:

5 -a first tubing member disposed within the wellbore so that a wellbore annulus is formed therein, the first tubing member having a suction tube device at a first end, and wherein said suction tube device extends into an inner portion of said first tubing member and wherein said suction tube device contains an inner portion and an outer portion;

10 -a second tubing member concentrically disposed within said first tubing member so that a micro annulus is formed therein for injection of a power fluid, and wherein a first end of said second tubing member is concentrically positioned about said outer portion of said suction tube device so that an annular passage for the power fluid is formed relative to an inner portion of said second tubing member and the outer portion of said suction tube, and wherein said inner portion of said suction tube is in communication with said wellbore annulus.

15 2. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising stabilizer means, disposed about said second tubing member, for stabilizing said second tubing member within said first tubing member.

20 3. (Original) The apparatus of claim 2 further comprising jet means, disposed within said first tubing member, for delivering an injected medium from said micro annulus into the wellbore annulus.

4. (Original) The apparatus of claim 3 further comprising:

-means, disposed at the surface, for injecting the injection medium into said micro annulus.

5 5. (Original) The apparatus of claim 4 further comprising an inner tubing restriction sleeve disposed within said second tubing member and wherein said suction tube device extends into said inner tubing restriction sleeve.

6. (Original) The apparatus of claim 5 wherein said injection medium is selected from the group consisting of gas, air, or fluid.

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7. (Original) The apparatus of claim 5 wherein said wellbore intersects and extends past a coal bed methane gas seam so that a sump portion of the wellbore is formed.

15 8. (Original) The apparatus of claim 7 wherein the apparatus is placed at a position below the coal bed methane gas seam.

9. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for use in a wellbore, the apparatus comprising:

-a first tubular disposed within the wellbore so that a wellbore annulus is formed therein, and wherein said first tubular has a distal end and a proximal end;

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-an annular nozzle operatively attached to the distal end of said first tubular, and wherein said annular nozzle comprises: an annular adapter; and, a suction tube that extends from said annular adapter into an inner portion of said first tubular, wherein said suction tube has an inner portion and an outer portion;

25 -a second tubular concentrically disposed within said first tubular so that a micro annulus is formed therein for injection of a power fluid, and wherein a first end of said second

tubular is concentrically positioned ~~adjacent~~ about said outer portion of said suction tube so that an annular passage for the power fluid ~~a restricted area~~ is formed within an inner portion of said second tubular;

5 -and wherein said inner portion of said suction tube has an open end in communication with said wellbore annulus.

10 10. (Original) The apparatus of claim 9 further comprising jet means, disposed within said first tubular, for delivering an injected medium from the micro annulus into the wellbore annulus.

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11. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 10 further comprising:

-stabilizer means, disposed about said second tubular, for stabilizing said second tubular within said first tubular;

15 -inner restriction sleeve disposed within the inner ~~portion~~ portion of the second tubular, and wherein said inner restriction sleeve receives said suction tube.

12. (Original) The apparatus of claim 11 further comprising:

-means, located at the surface, for injecting the injection medium into said micro annulus.

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13. (Original) The apparatus of claim 11 wherein said suction tube is threadedly attached to said annular adapter.

25 14. (Original) The apparatus of claim 11 wherein said injection medium is selected from the group consisting of gas, air, or fluid.

15. (Original) The apparatus of claim 11 wherein said wellbore intersects and extends past a coal bed methane gas seam so that a sump portion of the wellbore is formed.

5 16. (Original) The apparatus of claim 15 wherein the apparatus is placed below the coal bed methane gas seam in said sump area.

17. (Currently Amended) A method of drawing down a fluid column in a wellbore, and wherein said wellbore intersects a natural gas deposit having natural gas, the method
10 comprising:

 -providing a first tubular within the wellbore so that a wellbore annulus is formed therein, the first tubing member having an annular nozzle at a first end, and wherein said annular nozzle contains an annular adapter that is connected to a cylindrical suction tube, and wherein said cylindrical suction tube having an inner portion and an outer portion, and wherein
15 said suction tube extends into an inner portion of said first tubular;

~~-disposing~~ lowering a second tubular concentrically within said first tubular so that a micro annulus is formed, and wherein a first end of said second tubular is concentrically positioned about said outer portion of said suction tube so that an annular passage is formed;

 -injecting a medium into the micro annulus;
20 -channeling the medium through said annular passage nozzle;
 -increasing the velocity of the medium within said annular passage;
 -causing an area of low pressure within the inner portion of said suction tube;
 -drawing down the fluid contained within the wellbore annulus into the inner portion of said suction tube;

-exiting the fluid from the inner portion of said suction tube into an inner portion of the second tubular;

-mixing the fluid with the medium in the inner portion of the second tubular;

-discharging the fluid and medium at the surface.

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18. (Original) The method of claim 17 further comprising:

-injecting the medium into the wellbore annulus;

-mixing the medium with the fluid within the wellbore annulus;

-forcing the medium and fluid into the suction tube.

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19. (Original) The method of claim 17 further comprising:

-drawing down the level of the fluid within the wellbore annulus;

-flowing the natural gas from the natural gas deposit into the wellbore annulus once the fluid level reaches a predetermined level;

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-producing the natural gas in the wellbore annulus to a surface collection facility.

20. (Original) The method of claim 17 further comprising:

-jetting the medium from the micro annulus into the wellbore annulus;

-mixing the medium with the fluid within the wellbore annulus;

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-forcing the medium and fluid into the suction tube;

-drawing down the level of the fluid within the wellbore annulus;

-terminating the injection of the medium into the micro annulus once the fluid level reaches a predetermined level;

-flowing the natural gas from the natural gas deposit into the wellbore annulus;

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-producing the natural gas in the wellbore annulus to a surface collection facility.

21. (Original) The method of claim 20 wherein the wellbore contains a sump area below the level of the natural gas deposit and wherein said suction member is positioned within the sump area.

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22. (Original) The method of claim 21 wherein the natural gas deposit is a coal bed methane seam.

23. (Currently Amended) A device for use in a wellbore, the ~~apparatus~~ device comprising:

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-a first tubing member disposed within the wellbore so that a wellbore annulus is formed therein, the first tubing member having an annular nozzle at a first end, and wherein said annular nozzle extends into an inner portion of said first tubing member, and wherein said annular nozzle includes a cylindrical suction tube that has an inner portion that is in
15 communication with said wellbore annulus;

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-a second tubing member concentrically disposed within said first tubing member so that a micro annulus is formed for injection of a power fluid therein, and wherein a first end of said second tubing member is concentrically positioned about said ~~annular nozzle~~ suction tube so that an annular flow area for the injected power fluid is formed between an outer portion of
20 said suction tube and an inner portion of said second tubing member, and wherein said annular flow area is in communication with said micro annulus.

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24. (Original) The device of claim 23 further comprising:

-jet means, disposed within said first tubing member, for delivering an injected
25 medium from said micro annulus into the wellbore annulus.

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25. (Original) The device of claim 24 further comprising an inner tubing restriction sleeve disposed within said second tubing member and wherein said annular nozzle extends into said inner tubing restriction sleeve.